

West Virginia Senate

Committee on Finance

Minutes for February 11, 2020, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Finance met on February 11, 2020, 3:00 PM in Room 451-M.

Members present: Senators Blair, Tarr, Hamilton, Mann, Maroney, Roberts, Swope, Sypolt, Takubo, Facemire, Ihlenfeld, Palumbo, Plymale, Stollings

Members absent: Senators Boley, Prezioso, Unger

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Tarr, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

<u>Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 265 – Authorizing DEP to develop Reclamation</u> of Abandoned and Dilapidated Properties Program

Chairman Blair recognized Corey Bonasso, Counsel to the Senate Finance Committee, to explain the bill and to answer questions from the committee.

Vice-Chairman Tarr was recognized to move adoption of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill with the recommendation it do pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion and declared the motion adopted.

<u>Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 597 – Relating to judicial branch members'</u> salaries and pensions

The Chairman recognized Jeff Johnson, Counsel to the Senate Finance Committee, to explain the bill, the draft committee substitute and to answer questions from the committee.

Vice-Chairman Tarr was recognized to move adoption of the committee substitute to the committee substitute. The Chairman put the question on the motion and declared the committee substitute to the committee substitute adopted.

Senator Plymale was recognized and offered an amendment to remove Family Court judges from the bill the provision that allows Family Court Judges to transition from the Public Employees Retirement System to Judicial Retirement (Tier 2) with payment of difference in contributions. The amendment was adopted.

The Vice-Chair was again recognized to move adoption of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute as amended for Senate Bill 597 with the recommendation it do pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion and declared the bill adopted.

There was no further business to come before the committee.

On Motion of Senator Mann the committee adjourned.

P. Blan

Craig Blair

Tammy Shamblin

Chair

Committee Clerk